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GENERAL BUSINESS REPORT GENERATION

Abstract of the Disclosure

A system and method for generating a report by a reporting tool of the Systems

Applications and Products (SAP) online financial software. An SAP-readable Aspect file is generated and transmitted to the SAP system where the Aspect file may be queried for generating the report. The Aspect file may be generated by a non-SAP bridge program that utilizes a dataset which may be in a SAP or a non-SAP format. Processing the dataset to generate the Aspect file may include data filtration based on selection rules, and may additionally include rolling up the data of the dataset. Two or more of such datasets may be collectively used to form corresponding Aspect files for generating a report based on a query that relates to the corresponding Aspect files. The Aspect file may include procurement data such as purchase order data and invoice data.